Health and Human Services

- (1) Where no property is to be provided, a statement to that effect.
- (2) Where property is to be provided, a full description, the estimated dollar value, the basis of price comparison with competitors, and the basis of rental charge, if rental is involved.
- (3) Where the furnishing of any property or the extent has not been determined and is left open for future resolution, a detailed explanation.
- (m) Negotiations. Include a statement as to the date and place negotiations were conducted, and identify members of both the Government and contractor negotiating teams by area of responsibility. Include negotiation details relative to the statement of work, terms and conditions, and special provisions. The results of cost or price negotiations must include the information required by FAR 31.109 and 15.406-3. In addition, if cost or pricing data was required to be submitted, the negotiation record must also contain the extent to which the contracting officer relied upon the factual cost or pricing data submitted and used in negotiating the cost or price.
- (n) Other considerations. Include coverage of areas such as:
- (1) Financial data with respect to a contractor's capacity and stability.
- (2) Determination of contractor responsibility.
- (3) Details as to why the method of payment, such as progress payment, advance payment, etc., is necessary. Also cite any required D & F's.
- (4) Information with respect to obtaining of a certificate of current cost or pricing data.
 - (5) Other required special approvals.
- (6) If the contract represents an extension of previous work, the status of funds and performance under the prior contract(s) should be reflected. Also, a determination should be made that the Government has obtained enough actual or potential value from the work previously performed to warrant continuation with the same contractor. (Project officer should furnish the necessary information.)
- (7) If the contract was awarded by full and open competition, state where the unsuccessful offerors' proposals are filed.

- (8) State that equal opportunity provisions of the proposed contract have been explained to the contractor, and it is aware of its responsibilities. Also state whether or not a clearance is required.
- (9) If the contract is for services, a statement must be made, in accordance with FAR 37.103, that the services to be acquired are nonpersonal in nature.
- (o) Terms and conditions. Identify the general and special clauses and conditions that are contained in the contract, such as option arrangements, incremental funding, anticipatory costs, deviations from standard clauses, etc. The basis and rationale for inclusion of any special terms and conditions must be stated and, where applicable, the document which granted approval for its use identified.
- (p) Recommendation. A brief statement setting forth the recommendations for award.
- (q) Signature. The memorandum must be signed by the contract negotiator who prepared the memorandum.

Subpart 315.4—Contract Pricing

315.404 Proposal analysis.

315.404-2 Information to support proposal analysis.

- (a)(2) When some or all information sufficient to determine the reasonableness of the proposed cost or price is already available or can be obtained by phone from the cognizant audit agency, contracting officers may request lessthan-complete field pricing support (specifying in the request the information needed) or may waive in writing the requirement for audit and field pricing support by documenting the file to indicate what information is to be used instead of the audit report and the field pricing report.
- (3) When initiating audit and field pricing support, the contracting officer shall do so by sending a request to the cognizant administrative contracting officer (ACO), with an information copy to the cognizant audit office. When field pricing support is not available, the contracting officer shall initiate an audit by sending, in accordance with agency procedures, two (2) copies of the request to the OIG Office